

Next weekend, **23rd & 24th March**, we will welcome to St. Eunan's Cathedral a member of the **Volunteer Missionary Movement (VMM)** who are visiting parishes throughout our Diocese during 2019 for Mission Promotion and Appeal. VMM is an international lay Catholic development organisation founded in 1969. VMM recruits, trains and supports skilled lay missionaries and volunteers with professional / technical expertise to work in areas of need primarily in Africa. VMM's overall purpose is to challenge, enable and support lay people to participate in the mission of promoting justice, respect and dignity for all. To help support the work of VMM an exit door collection will take place at the Masses next weekend.

MARY'S MEALS were given a donation of **'FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DRESSES'**. If anyone would like to see or purchase these dresses, please come to the Cathedral Conference Room on **Saturday 23rd March** between 10.30 am and 4 pm.

COME AND PRAY ~ You are invited to enter into a spiritual desert with Jesus on the Sunday nights during Lent from 8 pm - 9 pm in the Letterkenny University Hospital Chapel. All are welcome to this Holy Hour - Healing Prayers for the Sick included.

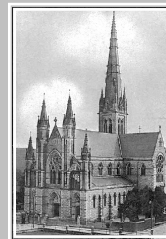
The **LEGION OF MARY ACIES**: the annual Consecration of Legionaries and Auxiliary Members to Our Lady, will take place in St. Eunan's Cathedral on **Sunday 24th March** at 3 pm.

The **MIC (Mary Immaculate College) Thurles Student Experience Day** will take place in St. Patrick's Campus, Thurles, on **Saturday 6th April**. To register your interest for the day or to find out more please visit: www.micopenday.ie

As part of our ongoing fundraising for Youth Ministry, we are holding a **'PARISH EASTER DRAW'** (Saturday 13th April - 11 am). If any parishioner would be willing to sell lines for the draw (€2 per line) they can pick up draw sheets from the Sacristy to be **returned by Monday 8th April**. If anyone would like to just buy lines for the draw, these can be purchased in the Sacristy. Any donation(s) towards Youth Ministry in the Parish would be greatly appreciated and we would like to thank the several local businesses who have donated prizes to this and other draws in the recent past.

A **WEEKEND RETREAT** will take place in the Divine Mercy Centre, beginning on **Friday 22nd March at 7 pm until Sunday 24th March at approx. 2 pm**. This Retreat will focus on **'THE MERCIFUL FATHER'**. We invite you to look at who God really is, through the message of Divine Mercy. This meeting with 'His Mercy' will allow the wounds of your heart to be healed. For further information, please phone the Divine Mercy Centre on 9169934.

A **LECTIO DIVINA WEEKEND RETREAT** will take place in the Divine Mercy Centre, beginning on **Friday 29th March** at 7 pm and ending after lunch (approx. 2 pm) on **Sunday 31st March**. The retreat teaches how to do Lectio Divina and gives you a chance to practice it. This is a time of silence and a time to meet with God in the depths of your heart, through the Scripture. We wish to pray with this great parable of Jesus (The Parable of the Merciful Father - Lk 15:11-32), looking at it with new eyes. We do not want to focus on the prodigal son, but on the Merciful Father, to discover what he wants to say to each of us personally. Please phone 9169934 for details.



ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL LETTERKENNY NEWSLETTER

Sunday 17th March 2019

St. Patrick's Day ~ Second Sunday of Lent



Dear St. Patrick,

in your humility you called yourself a sinner, but you became a most successful missionary and prompted countless pagans to follow Our Saviour.

Many of their descendants in turn spread the Good News in numerous foreign lands.

Through your powerful intercession with God, obtain missionaries (Priests, Religious and Lay Ministers) we need both at home and abroad to continue the work you began. Amen.

We wish you every blessing on St. Patrick's Day. 

THANK YOU

As usual on St. Patrick's Day we have our annual appeal for funds to help with the Education of Students for the Priesthood in the Diocese. Currently we have one Student studying for the Priesthood and one Deacon, namely, Rev. Anthony Briody will be ordained later this year, please God. Please keep both of these men in your prayers while also praying for all our Priests.

PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

Saint Joseph, please protect our home. Pour forth from heaven blessings on your Families. Remain in our midst. Help us to live in love and harmony, in peace and joy. May our fear of God strengthen us, that virtue may enhance what we do and our ways may lead us to heaven.

(Feast of St. Joseph - 19th March)



Priest on Duty: Fr. Damien Nejad

Sunday 17th March ~ St. Patrick's Day

Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon, 4 pm (Polish) and 6.30 pm

Baptisms ~ 1.30 pm

St. Pius X Adoration Chapel is open at 1 pm

Cathedral Junior Youth Prayer Group in the Conference Room - 7.30 pm

AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 11 am and 8.30 pm

Al-Anon Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 8 pm



Monday 18th March ~ St. Cyril of Jerusalem

NO 8 am Mass

10 am Mass ~ Eugene O'Neill RIP

7.30 pm Mass ~ Mick Lewis RIP

St Pius X Adoration Chapel is open

NO Confessions this evening

Grow Mental Health Meetings in the Pastoral Centre - 7.30 pm

AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 8.30 pm

Morning Prayer
(9.40 am)
Monday to Saturday
Evening Prayer
(7.10 pm)
Monday to Friday

Tuesday 19th March ~ St. Joseph - Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8 am Mass ~ Forgotten Souls in Purgatory RIP

10 am Mass ~ ®

7.30 pm Mass ~ Frances and James Kelly RIP

St. Pius X Adoration Chapel is open

Holy Face Devotions in the Crib room~ 6.30 pm

Legion of Mary Meeting in the Conference Room after 10 am Mass

Legion of Mary Meeting in the Parochial House - 7 pm

Baptism Preparation in the Parochial House tonight - **8pm**

Divine Mercy Prayer Group in the CRIB ROOM - 8.15 pm

Gamblers' Anonymous Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 8.30 pm

Al-Anon Meeting and AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 8.30 pm

Wednesday 20th March

8 am Mass ~

10 am Mass ~ Oonagh McCafferty RIP

7.30 pm Mass ~ ®

St. Pius X Adoration Chapel is open

Mother's Prayer Group Meeting in the Conference Room - 7 pm

Youth 2000 Prayer Group in the Cathedral - 8 pm

Cathedral Choir Practice in the Conference Room - 8 pm

Thursday 21st March

8 am Mass ~

10 am Mass ~ ®

7.30 pm Mass ~ Jim and Kathleen Duffy and Ann Toner RIP

St. Pius X Adoration Chapel is open

AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 5.30 pm

Charismatic Prayer Meeting in the Conference Room - 8 pm

Friday 22nd March

8 am Mass ~

10 am Mass ~ Michael Patton RIP

7.30 pm Mass ~ Roseann McHugh RIP (**First Anniversary**)

St. Pius X Adoration Chapel is open

MASS in St. Pius X Adoration Chapel ~ 8.30 pm

Cathedral Senior Youth Prayer Group in the Conference Room ~ 7pm

Al-Anon Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 10.30 am

AA Meeting for Women in the Conference Room - 1 pm

AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 5.30 pm

Narcotics Anonymous in the Pastoral Centre ~ 7 pm - 8 pm

Gamblers' Anonymous Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 8.30 pm

Saturday 23rd March

10 am Mass ~ ®

Baptisms ~ 5 pm

7.30 pm ~ Vigil Mass

Confessions ~ 12 noon to 1 pm and after the 7.30 pm Mass

AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 11 am

Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday (9.30 am - 4.30 pm)

Phone: 074 - 9121021

NEW Parish Email: office@steunanscathedral.ie

Website: www.steunanscathedral.ie  St. Eunan's Cathedral

Live **Web Streaming** from the Cathedral ~ churchservices.tv

OFFERTORY COLLECTION ~ 3rd March - €5,258

PARISH EXPENDITURE: €4,436

Thank you for your gift to God and His Church

RECENT BAPTISMS ~ *We welcome into God's Community*

Thomas Christopher Mongan